

Plant Sciences Affiliate Position Description

In recognition of the fact that members of the Department of Plant Sciences often engage widely with their collaborators, particularly UCANR advisors and specialists based in remote locations, with limited access to resources, the department is happy to confer the status of 'affiliate' to those individuals who wish to work more closely with us, on specific collaborative projects, as an **Affiliate**. The Department of Plant Sciences **Affiliate** conducts research and/or outreach activities in collaboration/coordination with PIs of the department.

- Affiliate status is conferred following nomination by a faculty PI, at the discretion of the department Chair, or his/her designate
- The candidate would usually hold an advance degree (MS or PhD) in an academic field related to the vision and mission of the department.
- Applicants for Affiliate status should provide a statement on the nature and duration of their department collaboration and a summary of their relevant training, in the form of a CV and a one-page outline of the nature of the collaboration with the Department of Plant Sciences (e.g. bio statement/CV).
- Status is renewable but the expected period of collaboration is three years (whichever is shorter).
- Affiliates will be granted access to Plant Sciences resources and facilities in line with the nature of their collaboration. These may include access to:
 - Locked facilities such as buildings, laboratories, offices or gated areas
 - Specialist instrumentation/equipment necessary for carrying out collaborative research or outreach
 - Computing resources such as wifi connectivity
- Access to specific resources will be charged as required and in line with use costs for PIs in the department. Although support or access to significant administrative, technical, budgetary or extensive IT resources is not generally available, 'temporary affiliate status' may be granted for routine IT provision.
- For all affiliates, it is the responsibility of the sponsoring department PI to cover costs that may arise from the use of department resources.
- It is the responsibility of the sponsoring department PI to provide the appropriate training on the proper and safe use of the department resource(s) being accessed by the Affiliate.
- Affiliate status may be revoked at the discretion of the department.
- All publications arising from research that has been conducted through the affiliate status, benefiting from resources in the Department, should acknowledge the Department of Plant Sciences as the affiliate's joint address, as appropriate, during the tenure of the research project.

Candidates should submit their CV/biostatement, a 1 page outline of their research project, the name of the project and the collaborating PI, in the Department of Plant Sciences to plant-sciences-chair@ucdavis.edu